Price of Film Rolls

4801. SHRI RABI RAY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: (a) whether the Hindustan Photo Films have failed to honour the permits issued by Film Federation of India to procure film rolls from them;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether due to the increase in the prices of the films rolls, it has been very difficult to release new films in the North India; and

(d) the steps, the Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.H. THUNGON):(a) and (b). Hindustan Photo Films (HPF) have honoured the permits to the extent of declared stocks.

(c) and (d). Representations have been received from film makers trade associations expressing difficulty in availability of raw stock. HPF is making arrangements for supply of fresh stock of cine colour films.

[*Translation*]

Approval to Korba Western Extension Unit Nos. 5 and 6

4802. SHRI PHOOL CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Electricity Authority has granted technical and economic approval to the Korba Western Extension Unit Nos. 5 and 6 of 2x210 M.W. in Madhya Pradesh and recommended to the Planning Commission to sanction funds for it; and

(b) if so, the time by which the Planning Commission is likely to sanction funds for the said project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Planning Commission has given investment approval for Korba Western Extension TPS Unit Nos. 5 & 6 of 2x210 MW in Madhya Pradesh at an estimated cost of Rs. 581.15 crores on 7th August, 1991 and this project is included in the State's Plan for 1991-92.

[*English*]

T.V. Relay Center at Contai in West Bengal

4803. SHRI SUDHIR GIRI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a relay center at Contai in the district of Midnapore, West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) No, Sir. There is no such proposal under the consideration of the Government at present.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The expansion of TV service to uncovered areas can be undertaken only in phased manner depending upon availability of resources.